

## Veterans News

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### Longtime Veterans Advocate, Michael "Doc" O'Boyle, Passes Away January 20, 2009

We regret to inform you that Doc O'Boyle, California Employment Development Veterans Specialist, passed away at his home in Fairfield California on January 20, 2009. Doc was an EDD employee for eleven years. Seven of those years were in the Sacramento Central Office. He was a champion for the Transitional Assistance Program (TAP) where he worked tirelessly to assist military veterans find jobs and obtain their earned veterans benefits. Doc was very knowledgeable and well respected within the entire veterans' services community. Doc will be missed by the veterans he worked with and helped throughout the years. Doc was a retired Master Chief Navy Corpsman.

On helping veterans find employment, Doc once said, "I've found you need to take the time to translate what you did. In addition to resumes, I bring background data sheets explaining, in civilian terms, what I did. I have to be able to tell them a master chief is a combination team builder, pastor and medical advisor."

Flowers should be sent to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church. Please request a morning delivery.

If you would like to send a card of condolences to the family, you may send them to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church, care of the O'Boyle Family.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church  
2700 Dover Ave.  
Fairfield, CA 94533

*The following obituary appeared in the Fairfield Daily Republic on January 24, 2009:*

Michael W. "Doc" O'Boyle III  
Oct. 31, 1945 < Jan. 20, 2009

A celebration of life for HMCM Michael W. "Doc" O'Boyle III, retired USN, is planned for 11:15 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 28 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church in Fairfield. Doc O'Boyle died unexpectedly Tuesday, Jan. 20, 2009, at his Fairfield home. He was 63 years old.

A native of Pasadena, Calif., he lived in Fairfield the past 42 years. In 1965, Doc O'Boyle completed Navy

Boot Camp in San Diego at the age of 18. He served with honor as part the 3rd Force Serve Support Group in Vietnam in 1967-68. In addition to serving with the 4th Force Reconnaissance Company, Doc served much of his career in the Brown Water Navy. He served with Coastal River Division 11, Coastal River Squadron 1, and then retired from Special Boat Unit Eleven at the Command Master Chief in 1995.

Doc O'Boyle most recently worked with the U.S. Department of Labor Veterans' Employment and Training Service, working with veterans returning from the global war on terror.

Survivors include Mr. Michael W. Boyle IV, son, and Ms. Katherine Marie O'Boyle, daughter, both of Fairfield. His death was preceded by his loving wife of 32 years, Mrs. Cheryle M. O'Boyle. A private burial took place in Rockville Cemetery. Arrangements are under the care of Bryan-Braker Funeral Home, 707-425-4697.

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